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SUBJECT: EARTHQUAKE SITUATION

1. BECAUSE OF EARTHQUAKE DAMAGE, FOREIGN DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY HERE IS CONCERNED ABOUT CURRENT AND FUTURE LIVING ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THEIR STAFF. AT PRESENT ALL DIPLOMATIC APPARTMENT HOUSES HAVE BEEN CLOSED (EXCEPT FOR GROUND FLOOR APARTMENTS). INTERNATIONAL CLUB HAS BEEN CLOSED (BUT STILL OPERATES A LIMITED OUTDOOR RESTAURANT) AS HAVE PARTS OF PEKING AND HSIN CHIAO HOTELS. THERE IS SOME QUESTION ABOUT CHINESE ABILITY OR WILLINGNESS TO REOPEN SOME OF THESE BUILDINGS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. CHINESE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBLITY OF FURTHER SEVERE AFTERSHOCKS AND DESPITE REPEATED REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION , THEY HAVE NOT YET OFFERED ANY OPINION ON STRUCTURAL SAFETY OF DIPLOMATIC APARTMENT BUILDINGS.

2. SOME EMBASSIES (NEW ZEALAND, AUSTRALIA, UNITED KINGOM, CANADA AND OTHERS) ARE CONSIDERING PLANS FOR AT LEAST PARTIAL EVACUATION OF DEPENDENTS UNTIL HOUSING SITUATION BECOMES CLEARER. IT WILL BECOME INCREASINGLY DIFFICULTY FOR EACH MISSION TO HAVE ITS STAFF QUARTERED IN RESIDENCES AND CHANCERIES FOR LONG PERIOD OF TIME.

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3. THIS MESSAGE IS TO ALERT YOU THAT WE ARE DRAWING UP
LIST OF DEPENDENTS THAT MIGHT POSSIBLY HAVE TO BE EVA-
CUATED IF THE SITUATION WARRANTS DOING SO. WE WILL
CONTINUE TO ASSESS THE SITUATION.
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